

City of Greensboro

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Legislation Text

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Resolution Authorizing Adoption of the 10-Year Affordable Housing Plan, Housing GSO: Creating Opportunities to Build a Better Community

Council Priority: Maintain Infrastructure and Provide Sustainable Growth Opportunities

Department: Neighborhood Development

Council District: All

Public Hearing: No

Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

City Council consideration is requested for adoption of the *Housing GSO: Creating Opportunities to Build a Better Community*, the 10-Year Affordable Housing Plan for the City of Greensboro.

BACKGROUND:

At the April 14, 2019 City Council meeting, Council approved a contract with HR&A Advisors, Inc. for Consulting Services to develop an Affordable Housing Plan. The scope of work included an analysis of existing efforts in the City to identify gaps, propose solutions and present methods and best practices for increasing and preserving the affordable housing stock over the next ten years and to develop an implementation plan with short and long-term goals.

Housing GSO was developed in collaboration with the Greensboro community and stakeholders from a diversity of backgrounds. HR&A worked with the City's Neighborhood Development Department to conduct multiple rounds of stakeholder discussions, hold a citywide public meeting, and release three public surveys. This engagement shaped the housing goals around which Housing GSO is organized and informed the plan's recommendations.

Housing GSO is organized around four goals that reflect community priorities and address the major challenges in Greensboro's housing market:

- 1) Affordable Rental Homes
- 2) Neighborhood Reinvestment
- 3) Access to Homeownership
- 4) Supportive Housing

Councilmembers reviewed the *Housing GSO* plan conclusions at the August 18, 2020 and September 1, 2020 City Council work sessions.

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Read the 10-Year *Housing GSO* Plan here: https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/home/showdocument?id=46302. Read the Housing GSO *Summary of Community Engagement* here: https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/Home/ShowDocument?id=47034.

BUDGET IMPACT:

No immediate budget impact.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

Adopt the attached resolution to formally approve the 10-Year Affordable Housing Plan, *Housing GSO: Creating Opportunities to Build a Better Community*.